

Notice of Exemption

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Project Title: TD1574780 Dinah Shore Deteriorated Pole Replacement Project (Streambed Alteration Agreement No. 1600-2020-0039-R6)

Project Location: The project is located within White Water River, tributary to the Salton Sea, approximately 0.7 miles northwest of the intersection of Dinah Shore Drive and Cathedral Canyon Drive on Bureau of Indian Affairs land in the City of Palm Springs, Riverside County, State of California.

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Streambed Alteration Agreement number 1600-2020-0039-R6, pursuant to section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to the project Applicant, Southern California Edison (SCE). The project involves removing and replacing two wood utility poles (1934550E and 1934551E) with new wood poles. The new poles will be set by truck via overland travel. The new holes will be dug by a machine auger four feet west of the old pole locations. Standard excavation depths range between 6 and 10 feet with a diameter of 2 to 3 feet. A caisson will be installed for structure on pole 1934551E. The area of soil disturbance (i.e. excavation, side casting and backfill) will be limited to approximately 10 feet around the pole, as well as a general 25-foot temporary work area around the pole for the staging and operation of construction vehicles and equipment.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Fish and Wildlife

Exempt Status: Categorical Exemption. Class 1 § 15301 (b), Existing Facilities

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is limited to the removal and replacement of two deteriorated wood poles.

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